

**CLARK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
AGENDA ITEM**

Petitioner: Steven D. Grierson, Court Executive Officer

Recommendation:

Approve the submission and acceptance of the State of Nevada Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Public & Behavioral Health grant to the Eighth Judicial District Court's Gambling Treatment Diversion Court (GTDC) to support the cost of personnel and third-party services such as drug testing; approve and authorize the Court Executive Officer or his designee to sign any additional grant documents related thereto and accept any funds awarded. (For possible action)

FISCAL IMPACT:

Fund #:	2201.000	Fund Name:	Specialty Court Grant
Fund Center:	1160340000	Funded PGM/Grant:	1160.GTDC.2022
Amount:	\$50,000.00		
Description:	State of Nevada Grant for Gambling Treatment Diversion Court		
Additional Comments:	There is no match required		

BACKGROUND:

Pursuant to NRS 458A.200; a court may establish a program for the treatment of problem gambling to which it may assign a person pursuant to NRS 458A.210. Before the court assigns a person to a program for the treatment of problem gambling, the person must agree to pay the cost of the program to which he or she is assigned, to the extent of the financial resources of the person. If the person does not have the financial resources to pay all the related costs, the court shall, to the extent practicable, arrange for the person to be assigned to a program that receives a sufficient amount of federal or state funding to offset the remainder of the costs. Successful completion of program must result in dismissal of defendant's conviction. See NRS 458A.240 (1). The only exception to mandatory dismissal is if the defendant already has 2 or more prior felony convictions.

Currently, the Eighth Judicial District Court, Gambling Treatment Diversion Court (GTDC) is a self-funded program and utilizes a Specialty Court Specialist. The State of Nevada grant funds will support a percentage of the Specialty Court Specialist and the cost of third-party services not covered by the court, insurance or public funding sources, that are necessary for individual participants' to successfully complete GTDC. These third-party services currently include drug testing, but could also include GPS monitoring, gambling disorder/substance abuse/mental health treatment, and other treatment services deemed necessary by the GTDC.

These grant funds will not be utilized to pay victim's restitution, court fines, or personal attorney fees

Cleared for Agenda

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